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SUBJ: PAKISTAN-CANADIAN WHEAT NEGOTIATIONS

1. CANADIAN AMB. HADWEN CALLED ECON COUNSELOR TO REPORT THAT, WITH REFERENCE LOCAL PRESS ACCOUNTS OF LAW MINISTER PIRZADA'S OPTIMISTIC STATEMENTS ON RETURN FROM OTTAWA THAT PAKISTAN NOW ASSURED OF ADEQUATE WHEAT FROM CANADA, HE HAD RECEIVED GARBLED MESSAGE FROM OTTAWA "TENDING TO CONFIRM THIS." SAID HE DOES NOT YET KNOW PRECISE NATURE OF AGREE-
MENT IN OTTAWA; HAS NOT BEEN MADE PUBLIC AND NOT COMPLETELY SETTLED. BUT APPEARS THAT AROUND 250,000 TONS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE BY CANADA TO PAKISTAN, SOME ON CASH, SOME CREDIT, AND A PORTION ON A "PURELY AID" BASIS.

2. HADWEN REFERRED TO FACT THAT ALREADY THIS YEAR CANADA HAS MADE 80,000 TONS AVAILABLE ON IDA TERMS, AND HE EXPECTS SOME ADDITION TO THAT UNDER NEW AGREEMENT.

3. FOLLOWING ABOVE CONVERSATION, CHARGE SOBER TALKED WITH SECGEN FINANCE AND ECONOMIC COORDINATION KAZI, WHO SAID NO ARRANGEMENTS WITH CANADA AS YET FINALIZED, TLAKS CENTERED MAINLY AROUND TWO OR THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND TONS ON BASIS CASH PURCHASES, WITH FLUCTUATING PRICES BEING MAIN
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ELEMBENT FOR NEGOTIATING - LAST PRICE DISCUSSED

BEING \$176 PER TON.

4. KAZI TOOK OCCASION TO INQUIRE FURTHER ABOUT POSSIBILITIES FOR CONCESSIONAL WHEAT PURCHASES FROM US, CHARGE SAID HE KNEW OF NO CHANGE FROM SITUATION DESCRIBED TO KAZI DURING RECENT VISIT TO US AND EXPRESSED PERSONAL OPINION THAT GOP COULD AND SHOULD NOT COUNT ON CONCESSIONAL SUPPLY FROM US OTHER THAN WHAT ALREADY ANNOUNCED. DECON 6/30/74.
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